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DETAILED ACTION

Appeal

1. The reply brief filed 3-23-01 has been entered and considered. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.

Conclusion

2. Any response to this action should be mailed to:

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May 30, 2001

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